

STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND, RALEIGH.

Board of Directors of the State Blind School, Raleigh, N. C.

GENTLEMEN:—In compliance with section 3, chapter 62, Public Laws of 1911, I inspected the School for the Blind in Raleigh on Friday, December 29, 1911. Superintendent Ray was very kind in showing me through the institution. The institution was clean as could reasonably be expected, considering the fact that those confined in it are lacking that sense which discriminates to a large extent between order and disorder, cleanliness and filth.

All the space is fully occupied and in some of the sleeping quarters, as in the other State institutions, the amount of air space is a minimum allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

W. S. RANKIN,
Secretary.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS, RALEIGH.

Building and Grounds Commission, State Capitol, Raleigh, N. C.

GENTLEMEN:—In compliance with section 3, chapter 62, Public Laws of 1911, I made an inspection of the Capitol building and grounds on Friday, December 29, 1911. I found everything clean and in good order, with one exception, to wit, the well on the Capitol Square. This well is unsanitary. Many people from different parts of the State use the water of this well. In drawing the water with a double bucket and chain arrangement, they pollute the buckets and the lower part of the chain with their hands and saliva, and may sooner or later cause the well to become polluted with disease germs, particularly typhoid fever bacilli.

I suggest and urge that this well have a closed top and pump arrangement provided to replace the open top and chain and bucket. Of course, it would be much better to have a public drinking fountain connected with the public water supply of Raleigh, to replace the well, but if this can not be done the arrangement suggested should certainly be adopted.

I attach herewith a copy of an analysis of a sample of the water taken from this well and analyzed by the State Laboratory of Hygiene. The analysis shows a pollution of the water with intestinal bacilli.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

W. S. RANKIN,
Secretary.

STATE HOSPITAL FOR THE COLORED INSANE, GOLDSBORO.

Board of Directors, State Colored Insane Hospital, Goldsboro, N. C.

GENTLEMEN:—In accordance with section 3, chapter 62, Public Laws of 1911, I inspected the State Colored Insane Hospital on December 30, 1911. Superintendent Faison very kindly showed me through the institution, and I was impressed with the general cleanliness everywhere apparent, and the good order which obtained throughout the institution. I saw nothing to criticize.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

W. S. RANKIN,
Secretary.